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Testimonial Dinner to be Tendered Most Worshipful Arthur D. Prince Master Masons of State to Honor Masonic Leader

ON September 20, 1937, a state-wide gathering of Master Masons from all parts of Massachusetts, will assemble at the Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, to pay tribute to one of the out-



M. W. ARTHUR D. PRINCE

standing Masons in the State, Most Worshipful Arthur Dow Prince, Past Grand Master.

The purpose of the gathering will be to celebrate the twentieth anniversary of his elevation to the 33rd degree Honorary in Masonry, and it will be a living tribute by his fraternal brothers in recognition of his services to Masonry, which organization he has been serving since 1891.

In these forty-six years, Illustrious Brother Prince has given much helpful service to his fellowmen through his connections with freemasonry. He has upheld and protected all of the traditions and principles of our great organization during his entire lifetime.

By character, patience and friendly service he has gained for himself the everlasting friendship of his fellow-men.

This gathering of Masonic friends will be a fitting tribute to a great Mason. It will be unique in that it will be held at a time in which he himself may participate and enjoy the friendship and fellowship of the multitude of friends he has made, who wish to do him honor while he is with us.

All Master Masons are invited to attend this gathering which will be a large, living, "Fraternal Bouquet", primarily to present and display, "Roses to the Living".

The idea of giving "Roses to the Living" was conceived by Illustrious Frank A. North, Past Most Wise Master of Mount Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix in Boston, and Past Potentate of Aleppo Temple, who is acting as general chairman of the committee. Assisting Illustrious Brother North is a large committee of well known Masons including Rt. Worshipful Ralph Lowe, Jr., and Most Illustrious Arthur A. A. Stewart, Vice Chairmen, and Em. Sir Edward H. Kirtledge, Secretary-Treasurer. The general committee is headed by Most Worshipful Claude L. Allen, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts.

Illustrious Brother Prince, who is a life member of Aleppo Temple and is connected with all branches of the Masonic fraternity, has held many important offices including that of Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, and is at present Relief Commissioner of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, which office he has held since 1931.

WHY NOT?

BY NOBLE ALBERT K. ROWSWELL
*I would rather have one little rose from the garden of a friend,
Than to have the choicest flowers, when my stay on earth must end.
I would rather have the kindest words, and a smile that I can see,
Than flattery when my heart is still and this life has ceased to be.
Bring me all the flowers today, whether pink, or white or red;
I'd rather have one blossom now, than a truckload when I'm dead.*

SAIL WITH THE NOBILITY WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1937

THE coming Shrine Summer Outing to be held August 25, promises to be one of the most interesting Stag Outings ever held by Aleppo.

The committee in charge have arranged for the exclusive use of the S. S. "Town of Hull," which the Nantasket-Boston Steamboat Company have just purchased and added to their fleet, after being completely rebuilt and reconditioned.

This steamer is the finest, largest and most spacious excursion steamer in Boston Harbor. She is 235 feet long and is licensed to carry 2,100 passengers, thereby assuring the Nobility plenty of room to roam around and indulge in the many sports being arranged for their entertainment.

Another feature of the "Town of Hull" is the recent installation of the latest R. C. A. public address system, enabling the receipt of wireless messages and transmittal of radio or phonograph music to any of the public rooms or decks. It is planned to use this system the day of the Shrine Outing for the announcement of points of interest in Boston Harbor and other historical spots along the route of the excursion. A well known commentator and novelist who has written many articles regarding Boston Harbor and the North and South Shores, has been engaged to handle this detail. His interesting stories and anecdotes will be heard on all parts of the ship, as there are seventeen loud speakers placed at strategic points on the excursion steamer.

Her three open decks offer plenty of space for promenading and sports. The top deck being an excellent place for those who wish to rest and sun themselves while viewing the harbor and shoreline.

Don't fail to be present on this gala occasion, as it will be an enjoyable day with an enjoyable group of Nobles. We sail rain or shine.

Tickets, which cost \$5.00, and include refreshments, cigars, souvenirs, etc., may be procured by sending your check to the Recorder, 97 Huntington Avenue, Boston, or on the wharf the day of the outing from 9:00 to 10:00 A. M.

The excursion will leave Rowe's Wharf Atlantic Avenue, Boston, at ten o'clock A. M. and will return about six o'clock P. M. Further details will be found on page three of this issue.

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A GATHERING OF INTEREST TO ALL NEW ENGLAND SHRINERS

WE have just received a communication from Potentate Norris G. Abbott, Jr., of Palestine Temple, outlining the plans for a meeting on Friday evening, October 8, of the New England Shrine Council, at which time they expect to officially organize and start what has long been planned; that is, an association of representatives of all Temples in the six New England states. Invitations have already been sent to each of these Temples requesting their presence on this occasion. Invitations have also been extended to three Temples in New York State and three in Canada to join a pilgrimage to Providence on Saturday, October 9, with their bands, drum corps, patrols and all uniformed bodies to participate in a mammoth parade, and then join in a Mass Ceremonial with candidates from all Temples taking part.

The Ceremonial will be followed by a true Rhode Island shore dinner, and in the evening the second section will be exemplified with stunts demonstrated by each visiting Temple. The festivities will close with two shows of sufficient variety to please all types.

Palestine Temple is opening wide the doors of the city to its guests and will do all in its power to make their visit one long to be remembered.

DOCTOR BIRTWISTLE ELECTED PRESIDENT

NOBLE Doctor Frank Birtwistle of New Bedford was advanced to the Presidency of the Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts by the unanimous approval of the members at the Annual Meeting held Tuesday evening, June 29, 1937, in that city. He succeeds Noble William Kenworthy who has served the Club for two years as the leader.

The officers elected to manage affairs with President Birtwistle are:

Vice Presidents—Arthur L. Marcoux, William Stitt.

Secretary—Charles E. Davis, Jr.

Treasurer—Joseph G. Dean.

Directors—William Kenworthy, John Kirk, William Beserosky, John Catterall, Norman Renne, Daniel W. Hinckley, Albert B. Cook, James Lees, Frederick Roberts.

The reports of committees and officers for the past year's activities showed an increased membership and a substantial treasury. Following the business session a fine entertainment was enjoyed and a buffet luncheon rounded out a pleasant evening for the Nobles.

Meetings of the Club will be suspended during the summer months but the officers are planning the usual Outing and Clambake early in September. Last year the event was very successful with the Degree Staff of Aleppo and a big delegation from the Worcester County Shrine Club taking an active part for the first time. It is hoped that the Club will find the interest of not only these groups but other organized units of Aleppo so that the 1937 day in the pines will be more enjoyable than all former parties.

Another event which is under consideration is a meeting of the Club in Middleboro. The membership of the Club has included a number of Nobles of that town and there is much enthusiasm over the proposed session. Noble Harry Anderson of Middleboro has been requested by President Birtwistle to discuss the suggestion with Shriners in that vicinity. It is expected that this get-together in Middleboro will be held during October and it is hoped that it will be the first of a series to be held in various parts of Southeastern Massachusetts. Fall River, Taunton and Hyannis have also been suggested as meeting places during the coming year.



ILL. POTENTATE POLLARD HONORED

AT the fortieth triennial conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America held at Miami, Florida, Illustrious Potentate Harry G. Pollard was elected to the office of Deputy Grand Master by acclamation.

At the conclave which was held Tues-

day, Wednesday and Thursday, June 20, 21 and 22, 1937, Sir Mark Morris of Grand Rapids, Michigan, was elevated to the office of Most Eminent Grand Master.

Illustrious Potentate Pollard, who now holds the second highest office in Templar Masonry in the United States, was first elected to the official line of that organization in 1925.

The next conclave will be held in 1940 at a place yet to be decided upon by the committee on time and place.



BUNKER HILL MONUMENT ERECTED BY MASONS

THE picture of Bunker Hill on the cover of the June issue of the ALEPPO NEWS brought many favorable comments. One of particular interest was a letter received from Noble A. E. Yarlotte, superintendent of dining service of the Boston and Albany railroad. Noble Yarlotte enclosed a very beautiful menu used on all of the B. & A. dining cars, containing a sketch of Bunker Hill.

The letter which contains some very interesting facts in regard to the monument follows:

"Mr. Harvey B. Leggee, Editor,
ALEPPO MONTHLY NEWS,
Boston, Massachusetts.

"Dear Harvey:

"You will be interested in seeing the enclosed menu with the picture of Bunker Hill Monument, similar to the one appearing on the June ALEPPO MONTHLY NEWS cover.

"In checking the history of the monument it was found that a Tucson Pillar, eight feet high, was first erected by the Massachusetts Grand Lodge of Masons in 1799.

"The present monument was started in 1825 and completed in 1842 with funds collected by popular subscription.

"With best wishes, I am,

"Fraternally yours,

"A. E. YARLOTTE."

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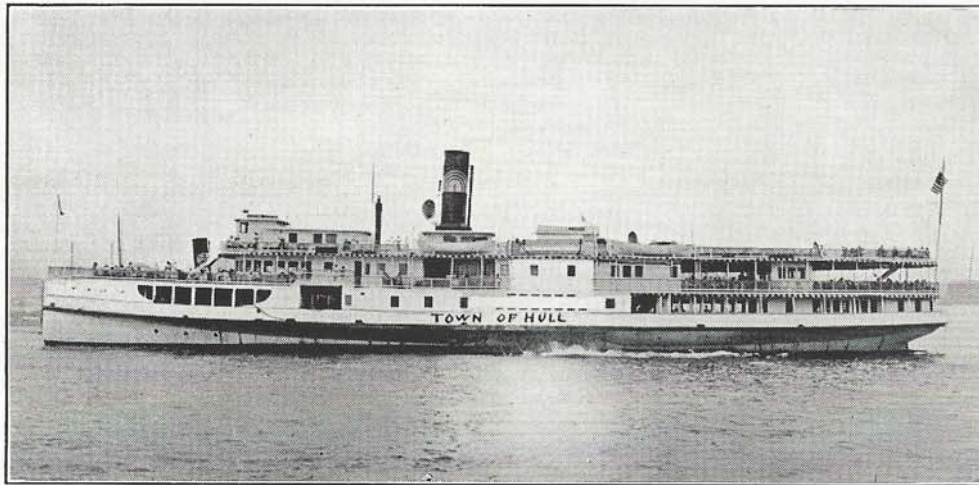
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BUSINESS MEETING, August 25, 1937
SHRINE HEADQUARTERS, 97 HUNTINGTON AVENUE, BOSTON

A meeting for Business and the Election and Obligation of Candidates will be held at the Aleppo Temple Headquarters, 97 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts, at 8 A. M.

CANDIDATES WILL REPORT TO THE RECORDER AT 7:45 A.M.

AMENDMENT TO THE BY-LAWS:—Pursuant to Article VII, Section 9, Notice is hereby given of a proposed amendment of the by-laws of Aleppo Temple to be voted upon at this stated session, the same having been offered at the May 21, 1937 session and reading as follows:

"Section 9, of Article IV of the by-laws of Aleppo Temple as amended on January 28, 1926, is hereby repealed."

Attest:

Walter W. Morrison Recorder
Telephone KENmore 0678

Hauf Holland
Potentate



By NOBLE J. ARTHUR MCCOY,
Associate Editor

This is the month of vacations and it appears that the majority of the members are numbered among the prosperous and are enjoying themselves at the shore or mountains.

The only scheduled get-together this month is the annual Shrine outing on August 25, and that event promises to attract a large number.

Cape Cod seems to be the popular vacation spot, perhaps because we have so many boating enthusiasts. Nobles Arthur Holl and Frank Breed, of the first platoon, both have sizeable boats and spend most of their time along the South Shore. Sergt. Joe Wehrle, of the fourth platoon, is also spending the month with relatives on the Cape.

We are glad to report that Lieut. Eddie Freeman is so far recovered as to be able to return to his business in Lowell.

Noble George Weeks, of the first platoon, has just returned from a tour of Philadelphia, Baltimore and Norfolk.

Noble Clyde Carter, of the first platoon, attended the Commandery Triennial at Miami, July 17 to 23, and is now at St. Petersburg with his mother.

Noble George Battis, of the fifth platoon, is spending a month in the vicinity of Alton Bay, N. H., where he and several others of the patrol, have vacationed for many years.

Lieut. Walter Benson has "gone fishin'" at Heald Pond Camps, Jackman, Maine. I guess it is the truth — Walter is one of our best fishermen, for his fish stories have been substantiated. Of course he doesn't go after those big deep sea ones with the great tackle gear, like Harvey Leggee does, but for lake and river fishing Walter is among the best.

Noble Stanley Bolton, of the N. C. S., has entered the insurance business, with one of the largest companies in the country. "Stan" can take care of your wants, whatever you wish insured.

It is our sad duty to report the death of Noble George Stephen Williams, formerly of the fifth platoon, on July 11. Noble Williams lived in Dedham, was an insurance investigator, and a member of Prospect Lodge, Dorchester Chapter, DeMolay Commandery and Massachusetts Consistory. He attended the Imperial Council Sessions at Detroit June 22 to 24 and then took a trip through Canada, where he died at Montreal. Funeral services were held at his former home, 26 Marion St., Dedham, July 14. Noble Williams' faithfulness and devotion to the patrol are well known. His record of attendance was practically perfect throughout the years.

IN MEMORIAM

Noble George Stephen Williams
Born 1868
Died July 11, 1937
Member of Patrol Service 1918

NOBLE FRED K. ROGERS HAS NARROW ESCAPE

ONE of our prominent Nobles, Lt. Fred K. Rogers, with a party of sixteen Boston business men had an exciting experience when his forty foot cabin cruiser "Baltic" ran on the treacherous rocks of Lovells Island, near Pemberton Landing in Hull.

The party was returning to the Quincy Yacht Club from a cruise to Marblehead. The return trip was started about 7:30 p.m., and the mishap occurred about two hours later. The plight of the "Baltic" was discovered by Capt. Jennings of the Lovells Island Lighthouse, who telephoned the Coast Guard at Point Allerton. The Coast Guardsmen were quickly at the scene and transferred the passengers to the Quincy Yacht Club.

Noble Rogers and his crew elected to remain on board and in the early morning hours succeeded in floating their craft, which then made its way under its own power to its moorings.

It was an exciting experience and one that will probably remain long in the memories of those on board.



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WORCESTER COUNTY SHRINERS

By WESTON RUSSELL

NOBLE Russell W. Anderson, prominent attorney is spending week-ends at his summer home on Block Island. Russ' favorite recreation is fishing some thirty or forty miles at sea, where the powerful swordfish and shark inhabit Neptune's domain. During the swordfish season, June and July, it is strenuous sport bringing in a 600-pounder.

President Andrew M. Goff of the Worcester County Shrine Club will spend the month of August at his Canadian fishing lodge.

Noble Chester C. Merryfield, Worcester Royal Arch Chapter officer, spent a three-weeks vacation this Summer visiting a war-time friend on the latter's palatial Long Island estate at Huntington, about twelve miles west of Oyster Bay. A major portion of Chester's time was passed aboard his host's speedy yacht. The craft carries a full crew, from cook to cabin boy.

Noble Iver J. Erikson, President of Iver J. Erikson, Inc., large Worcester roofing concern, was elected President of the Associated Retail Credit Men of Worcester, Inc., at a dinner-meeting held at the Wachusett Country Club this summer.

First Vice-President Joseph C. DeWolf of the Worcester County Shrine Club will spend his vacation motoring in September. Joe will follow an annual custom—he will step on the starter, gently press the accelerator, and let fancy dictate his route.

Hon. Pehr G. Holmes, Member of Congress from the 4th Congressional District, has been ably looking after New England interests during the current session of the House. Pehr is a member of many Masonic bodies.

Treasurer Robert P. Adams of the Worcester County Shrine Club has installed new executive offices in the Adams Hardware Building.

Noble Dr. Hugo O. Peterson, former City Physician and one of the foremost examining physicians in the state, attended the 21st annual session of the American College of Physicians held at St. Louis this year. Noble Dr. Peterson is Chief of the Medical Unit of Worcester County Commandery, No. 5, K. T.

Secretary James R. Estes of the Worcester County Shrine Club, as Captain of the Aletheia Grotto Patrol, led the crack Worcester drill unit to a major victory in the international Grotto Patrol competition at Toronto this Summer. The Massachusetts men won first prize in the drill. Jim is a Past Monarch of the Grotto in Worcester.



MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

WHILE the rest of us are enduring the hot summer sun, Noble Walter K. Queen, a past commander of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Com-

pany, instead of going to London with his Company, is taking a trip to the North Pole. Noble Queen evidently wants to know if it is as cold there as it is at the South Pole, where he went as Chief Engineer of the second Byrd Antarctic Expedition.

Noble Queen, who sailed on July 10 on the Hudson's Bay Company ship "Nascopill", is sure a polar bear — both poles.

AT the annual meeting of the "Telephone Pioneers" held at Los Angeles, California, June 29, Noble J. Clark Glidden of Pasadena was the senior employee present.

Noble Glidden, who joined Aleppo Temple in December, 1902, and is at present a Life member, joined the list of employees of the telephone company at the opening of the telephone exchange in Lowell, Massachusetts in 1878.

NOBLE Howard A. Flanders, who edits the Scottish Rite News for this magazine, has just returned from an extended vacation automobile trip.

Noble Flanders sojourned through New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, stopping at Bar Harbor for a few days on his return.

NOBLE Andrew Francis "Jack" Jones and Mrs. Jones celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage on July 20 at North Falmouth, Massachusetts.

The celebration which was attended by many friends was held in "The House That Jack Built," at New Silver Beach, their summer home.

Noble Jones, who is a life member of Aleppo Temple, having joined in February, 1906, is well known around this Cape Cod summer colony.

THE following letter was received from another "long term" member of Aleppo, Noble J. E. Kenerson of the Kenerson Stamping and Tool Manufacturing Company:

"Aleppo Temple,

Dear Sir:

Noble Alex C. Burke of Berlin, New Hampshire, writes that he holds a card No. 3453 in Aleppo Temple. Now, I can go him one better as my card is No. 1586. Will you please look up the records and let me know what year I joined Aleppo and oblige.

Yours truly,

NOBLE J. E. KENERSON."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Noble J. E. Kenerson joined Aleppo May 3, 1898. We hope that more of our early members will write in.



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By NOBLE J. HOWARD MACAULAY
Associate Editor

I HAVE received some communications from the boys, one of special interest from Alex Boig describing his trip to Detroit. Ken Damon says that Alex omitted many details and promises to come forward with the true story when next we meet.

Alex left home at five o'clock Sunday morning and arrived in Detroit at four o'clock Monday afternoon, his over night stop being in Rochester, N. Y. He had some trouble finding the boys in Detroit but finally located them at the Statler, as usual, right in the middle of the big noise. Alex's letter reads as follows:

"Detroit was given over to the Shriners. There being something doing every minute, sleep was given up for sporting events. We slept about three or four hours per night. There were many places to go and sights to see.

The three parades were vast affairs, each taking three to four hours to pass. The entire business section was decorated with Shrine Banners, flags and Welcome Signs. Many people asked for the Aleppo Band.

The Aleppo boys paid a visit, in a body, to the Potentate's apartments but unfortunately arrived while he was attending a meeting of the Imperial Council. However, we were very cordially received by Noble Curry, Assistant Rabban. We retired after having paid our respects.

The trip home was wonderful, roads good and the scenery beautiful. Left Friday at 11 A. M. and arrived home Saturday in time for dinner."

Thank you Alex for your contribution.

Noble Louis McCord reports by letter that he has been travelling a great deal in the past few months and attended the

Ceremonial at Syria Mosque, Pittsburg, Pa., where he picked up a few stunts for Aleppo Temple. He says, "They have wonderful direction in all the various stunts performed and I find that the same Director lasts through several years and in that manner is able to eliminate 'time waits'." Good idea?

Noble Louis, who is known professionally as J. K. Mora, the Magician, says:

"Attended the Convention of Magicians at Albany, N. Y., and succeeded in getting the post of Regional Vice-President (for New England) of the Society of American Magicians, also at the last election of the Boston Magicians Club (S. A. M.) I have been elected President of the local body."

Thank you for your letter Louis, and bring back plenty of new stunts for next year.

The Sunday Post, July 18th published a picture of our old Director "Stan" Stedfast and wife "Billy" departing on another cruise. Good luck "Stan" and we hope this trip will be as good as the others.



RECORDER WALTER MORRISON HONORED

OUR Recorder, Walter Morrison has just received a certificate of Honorary Membership in Mizpah Temple, Fort Wayne, Indiana, accompanied by a letter from the Recorder of that Temple in which he says that Walter was unanimously elected to receive this membership at the January meeting of their Temple, in honor of his many years of faithful services to Shrinedom.

Walter has received this recognition from twenty-six other Temples in North America, and had them all properly bound in book form.

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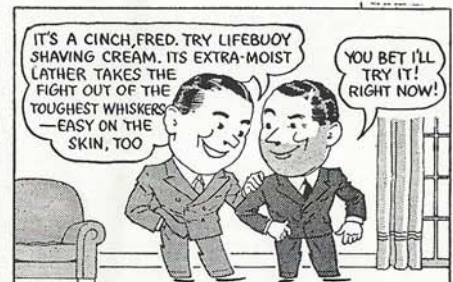
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By NOBLE CHARLES C. FEARING,
Associate Editor

"OH, THE MERRY-GO-ROUND BROKE DOWN"

BUT that is not the only thing that "broke down." Absolutely not! This column has "broke down" and as Charlie McCarthy would say—"Oh, yes! Definitely."

So we wipe the perspiration from our manly brow (sweat to you'se guys) and taking a firm grip on our trusty pencil we try to think of something to write about. But the fact is undeniable, that unless a feller has a more vivid imagination than we possess, or in other words is a darned good liar, he cannot gather choice bits of gossip, dirt, or what have you, if he cannot contact the proper sources of said information.

Several of the Nobles of the band went across the "Pond" to see the King of Merrie Old England properly "crowned." We have no doubt that when the King and Queen saw our "Noble" contingent in all their glory they were willing to call it "the end of a perfect day."

And that reminds us. One night recently, when we returned from our daily toil to partake of our frugal evening meal (the Craft having been called from labor to refreshments), our better-half handed us a picture post-card postmarked Paquebot, The Netherlands, and inquired if we knew any guy in that far away foreign country. We gave it the once over and saw the signature—E. L. Kim-

ball: Yes, our own "Kimmie," who, in company with other Nobles had sailed overseas with the Ancients to do Europe and way stations.

The aforesaid post-card had a picture of two little Dutch girls making eyes at a little Dutch boy, and at the bottom were the words "Jeugdige Volendamertjes." We would not swear to a literal translation but we wager this means "Hyah Toots!" or words to that effect—which is the usual salutation when "Boy meets girl."



SCOTTISH RITE NEWS

By HOWARD A. FLANDERS,
Associate Editor

NOBLE John P. Dodge, Assistant Commissary of Massachusetts Consistory, has a tourists' camp located in Belfast, Maine, overlooking the beautiful Penobscot Bay. He has had the pleasure of entertaining many visitors from the fraternity, and any of our Nobles who are driving through should be sure to make a call on John, who will greatly appreciate the opportunity of shaking hands with them.

Noble Leon L. Allen, who suffered a compound fracture of his ankle some time ago, is slowly improving.

Quite a number of our Nobles, who are members of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery, are at the present time enjoying a European trip. They are being received with great honors in London.

Noble Frank Roman of Wilmington has practically recovered from his recent illness. About sixty of his friends gave him a surprise party on his birthday, July 8th. He greatly enjoyed meeting these friends, and all had a very pleasant evening. We all wish him many happy returns of the day.

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"DETROIT TIMES" REPORTS SHRINE CONVENTION

By NOBLE J. ARTHUR MCCOY

NOBLE Alex Campbell having provided us with the Detroit papers for the week of June 21, here are a few items pertaining to the parades and other features as reported in the news:

Monday, June 21—Forty-two special trains, many busses and boats bring 100,000 Shriners into Detroit. Seventy-seven temples had 20,000 uniformed men. "The first thing a Temple did on arriving was to serenade the city with bands and chanters." The city was in gala array and was turned over to the visitors. A Hindu wife of a merchant prince visiting Detroit for the week and dressed in her native costume was mystified by the gaiety and color and wondered who ought to be staring at whom—"people dressed in the weirdest garb I have ever seen anywhere turn around and stare at me." Because of the limited hotel accommodations, Kosair Temple (Louisville, Ky.), banned single women on their train, so Noble Trotten of the Patrol married his fiancée in the Union Station before leaving. It is reported that 62,000 crippled children have been cured or aided in the 15 Shrine Hospitals since 1922. Noble Frank Ellis, Jr., of Moslem, Detroit, 21 years old on January 31, the youngest Shriner, is the son of Adj. Frank Ellis, Sr., of the Moslem Patrol. The oldest man to be made a Shriner, Noble Sam Frazier of Elbahar Temple, San Diego, 90, a year ago when initiated, had a front seat at the City Hall reserved section to watch the parades.

Tuesday, June 22—The first "day parade"—took four hours to pass. "Detroit is romping along with the Shriners in a celebration that is the nearest thing to a Mardi Gras the city has ever seen."

Wednesday, June 23—The second parade, illuminated, took place in the evening—three miles of marching.

Thursday, June 24—The third parade and pageant, with many spectacular features, illuminated costumes, etc.: Damascus Temple, Rochester, with their legion of honor veterans; Syria, Pittsburgh, the largest in Shrinedom; Kaaba, Iowa, with their 30-foot ear of corn; Medina, Chicago, with their live camel and gorgeous gilded sphinx drawn by six sheiks, a 130 piece band, great patrol and 60 chanters; Lulu, Phila., with its mounteds on coal black horses, and stage crew with lighted canes; Murat, Indianapolis, with the only gun patrol and with bell calliope, and Kosair of Kentucky with its rolling cabin. Tripoli of Milwaukee had a patrol of 100, all dressed in top hats, tails, white ties, spats and carnations, and had 15 foot Chinese lanterns, an oriental band, outfitted with coolie hats and white Chinese coats; Tangier of Omaha had a jazz band; Yaarab, of Atlanta, brought an oriental band, every man in different colored silk and satin; El Zagal of Fargo had its Sioux Indian tribe with feathered head-dress . . . and skipping along to Zor Temple of Madison, the youngest temple in Shrinedom, she had a patrol, oriental band and three live camels. As a grand finale Detroit put on an industrial parade with fifty floats, depicting the growth of the city.

Walter Morrison must be right when he says it was the best convention ever.